# Chemical Propulsion Information Analysis Center



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### **CPIAC Overview**

- Mission: Provide rapid, accurate propulsion science and technology information and analysis in support of national aerospace and defense objectives.
- Scope: Propulsion system, propellant and energetic material technologies for:
  - Rockets and Missiles
  - Space Systems
  - Gun-launched Munitions

CPIAC's 60+ year heritage has provided a constant supporting presence to the DoD and NASA propulsion community, helping to avoid duplication of R&D and resulting in countless savings to the U.S. Government.





## **CPIAC** Heritage

- ◆ Rocket Propellant Information Agency established at Johns Hopkins Applied Physics Laboratory with Navy and Army sponsors 1946
  - ◆ Name changed to Solid Propellant Information Agency 1948
    - ◆ Air Force begins sponsorship of SPIA 1951
      - NASA becomes sponsor 1959

Interagency Chemical ◆ **Rocket Propulsion Group** (ICRPG) chartered 1962

SPIA merged with Liquid • Propellant Information Agency to form CPIA in 1962 ◆ CPIA moves from APL to current Century Plaza headquarters in Columbia, Maryland 1978

CPIA designated as DoD Information Analysis Center under NAVSEA 1966



ICRPG rechartered as JANNAF 1970

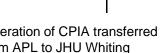


DoD Administrative oversight of CPIA transferred to Defense **Technical Information Center 1980** 



Operation of CPIA transferred from APL to JHU Whiting School of Engineering 1990

 CPIA relocates to APL's **Howard County campus** in Laurel, Maryland 1976



◆ JHU marks 50 years of continuous operation of CPIA with award of contract from DSCC 1996

1945 2008 1950 1960 1970 1980 1990 2000



**Chemical Propulsion Information** Analysis Center established with new contract award to JHU 2005



## Primary Defense Customers

- Army Research Laboratory (ARL)
- Armament Research, Development & Engineering Center (ARDEC)
- Aviation & Missile Research, Development & Engineering Center (AMRDEC)
- Army Research Office
- Air Force Office of Scientific Research (AFOSR)
- Air Force Research Laboratory Space & Missile Propulsion Division
- Air Force Research Laboratory Aerospace Propulsion Division

- Naval Air Warfare Center Weapons Division - China Lake (NAWC/WD)
- Naval Surface Warfare Center Indian Head Division (NSWC/IH)
- Office of Naval Research (ONR)
- Office of the Director of DoD Research & Engineering (DDR&E),
- Department of Defense Explosives Safety Board (DDESB)
- Defense Ammunition Center (USADAC)

**And All Major Defense Prime and Propulsion Contractors** 



## **CPIAC Supports Major Initiatives**

- DoD Space Platforms Technology Area Review & Assessment (TARA)
- U.S. Missile Defense (MDA and SMDC)
- Technology for the Sustainment of Strategic Systems (TSSS)
- DDR&E Energetic Materials Investment Planning
- Integrated High Payoff Rocket Propulsion Technology (IHPRPT) Program
- NASA's Exploration Initiative





## CPIAC Supports the JANNAF IPC

#### **JANNAF** exists to:

- Promote and facilitate exchange of technical information in a controlled environment (U.S. only)
- Establish and promulgate standards
- Coordinate research and development programs
- Address issues of joint agency interest

#### 12 JANNAF Subcommittees:

- Airbreathing Propulsion
- Combustion
- Exhaust Plume Technology
- Liquid Propulsion
- Modeling and Simulation
- Nondestructive Evaluation
- Propellant and Explosives Development and Characterization
- Propulsion Systems Hazards
- Rocket Nozzle Technology
- Safety and Environmental Protection
- Spacecraft Propulsion
- Structures and Mechanical Behavior

The JANNAF Interagency Propulsion Committee is composed of representatives from the DoD, the military services and NASA





#### What We Do For JANNAF

- Technical, Administrative and Logistical Support
- Develop and Publish Standards, Guidelines and Specifications
- Maintain and Distribute Performance Simulation Codes
- Host Technical Conferences and Workshops
  - ~Two Conferences per Year (250 to 600 attendees)
  - ~Three to Four Workshops per Year (25 to 75 attendees)
- Publish and Archive Proceedings and Reports

The JANNAF Community is estimated at ~ 4,000 active members





## **CPIAC Online Information Tools**

- Suite of Access Controlled/Secure Database Tools
  - Accessible Online via Internet
- STI Library Access Tool (PIRS)
  - 105,000+ Documents
  - 36,000+ Documents Migrated to DTIC TEMS Project
- Rocket Motor Electronic Database (RMED)
- Solid Propellant Database (SPD)
- Propellant & Explosive Ingredients Database (PEID)
- Liquid Propellant Database (LPD)
- Rocket Propulsion Test Facilities (RPTF) Database
- Insensitive Munitions Test Database (in development)
- R&D Motor Ingredients Database (in development)

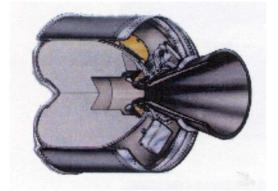




## Missile Defense Support



- CPIAC conducted an ignition safety assessment for the silo-based Ground-based Interceptor (GBI) Booster.
- CPIAC assisted Arnold Engineering Development Center (AEDC) with acquiring Orion 38 nozzle configuration data necessary to complete an upper stage target simulation analysis for MDA.
- CPIAC researched and provided technical and historical data on the generation of aluminum oxide slag by upper stage rocket motors with partially submerged nozzles for AEDC.





## NASA Exploration Initiative

- CPIAC supported the stand-up of the new Solid and Hybrid Propulsion Systems Branch at NASA Marshall Space Flight Center
- CPIAC contributed subject matter expertise and data for design and trade studies on solid boost and crew escape systems
- CPIAC's Rocket Motor Electronic
   Database identified inventory rocket
   motors to simulate launch loads CLV
   crew capsule testing.







#### **Tactical Missile Demilitarization**

- Tooele Army Depot (TEAD)
   is the designated DoD
   demilitarization center for
   tactical missiles.
- CPIAC has provided technical support for static firing disposal of propellant materials.





- Identification of propellant constituents, consumables, and heavy metals.
- Combustion data for rigid open burning permit process.
- Characterization for Munitions
   Items Disposition Action System

Information for the Defense Community



## Operation Iraqi Freedom Support

- CPIAC supported the U.S. Navy Explosive Ordnance Disposal Technical Division in disposal of Soviet Era Iraqi SA-2 missiles
- CPIAC provided:
  - Definitive technical data on liquid propellants for SA-2
  - Expert review of emergency disposal procedures
  - Identification of common dilution solvents for disposal





Propellant (IRFNA) Vapors





## **CPIAC Summary**

- CPIAC is the oldest IAC in operation (since 1946)
  - We are proud to have contributed to the evolution of every phase of this Nation's space launch and missile capability since WW-II
- CPIAC provides technical data, information and expertise to the rocket, missile and gun propulsion interests of all of the services, DoD components, NASA, and industry contractors
- We support and promote joint service research and development through DTIC, major government initiatives, and the JANNAF IPC to a community of over 4000 engineers and scientists
- Our services are available for your use, and we are never further than a phone call, e-mail, or website link away...





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